

# GRAND JURY HEARS STORY OF KIDNAP

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Authorities Expect Arrests to Follow  
Examination at Danville, Illinois—  
Owner of Big Red Automobile  
Among the Suspects.

St. Louis, Mo.—Rev. Louis Patmont's strange tale of how he was kidnapped at Westville, Ill., March 31, kept a prisoner for almost two months and then left, bound and gagged, in a deserted house near Columbia, Ill., was repeated before the Vermillion county grand jury at Danville, Ill.

Mr. Patmont was fully identified and much of the weird tale that he told has been corroborated. He was first identified positively by Rev. John L. Brandt, pastor of the First Christian church of St. Louis.

Subsequently he was identified by half a dozen citizens of Vermillion county, among them Rev. J. F. Bickel, pastor of the First Christian church of Danville.

The authorities of Illinois counties and operatives of a private detective agency are working in conjunction on the case, and the officials say they have clues.

Mr. Patmont was employed by the prohibitionists at Westville, Ill., in the campaign preceding the spring election. He was active in the campaign and was twice attacked by gangs before he was kidnapped a week before the election.

**Big Red Auto Is Clue.**  
A striking clue in the mysterious case is a big red automobile. The officials say when the case is solved it will be shown that the owners of this particular car, which it is believed, is the one in which Mr. Patmont was transported from place to place, is the moneyed man in the case.

Mr. Patmont says it was a big red automobile that carried him to the deserted farmhouse near Columbia, Rev. Dr. Bickel, who went to Cleveland, O., to identify a body supposed to be that of Mr. Patmont, recalls that he was strangely followed by a big red automobile. Dr. Bickel says he knows a man in Vermillion county who is wealthy and who was bitter against Patmont, who owns a car of the same description.

Deputy Sheriff Colt told a reporter that he was on the trail of two men who have been missing from Danville since Mr. Patmont disappeared, who answer the descriptions of Patmont's captors.

**Ropes and Gag Evidence.**  
Henry Reichenbach, state's attorney of Monroe county; Sheriff J. C. Rexroth and Fred G. Rapp, mayor of Columbia, adding the visiting officials all day and drove them out to the deserted farmhouse where Mr. Patmont was found. The sticks of wood, the gunny sack, the rope and the gag, were turned over to Mr. Lewman and they will be taken to Danville as evidence.

Lewman, Dr. Bickel and Mr. Patmont departed on the Wabash for Danville. The grand jury convened and devoted its entire time to solving the mystery.

**Midshipmen Given Bibles.**  
Annapolis, Maryland.—Bibles were presented to the midshipmen of the graduating class of the naval academy by the American Seamen's Friend society of New York. One hundred and fifty-six midshipment received copies. Protestants were presented with the American standard version, while Catholics received the Douay version.

**Finds Winter Wheat Good.**  
Washington.—Estimates by the department of agriculture on the 1914 wheat crop are for a total winter and spring combined, of 880,000,000 bushels. This is on a combination of the largest acreage on record and promise of the greatest yield per acre in years.

**Treaty Ratified by Japan.**  
Tokio.—The foreign office officially announced the ratification by Japan of the arbitration treaty with the United States. The arbitration treaty is one of a number of treaties that have been negotiated by Secretary Bryan within the last few months.

**Marshall Liable to Fine.**  
Richmond, Va.—Vice President Marshall laid himself liable to a \$5 fine when he plucked a rose from the section in Hollywood cemetery in which rests the body of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee and carried it over and placed it upon the grave of Jefferson Davis.

**Suffragette Office Raided.**  
London.—A raid on the headquarters of the Women's Social and Political union was carried out by the police. They took possession of the offices and detained all the members of the staff on duty.

**Boy Balloonist Drowns.**  
Alton, Ill.—In the presence of a large crowd of men and women who were powerless to save him, Robert Cowan, 18 years old, making his second flight in a hot-air balloon, fell into the Mississippi river and drowned.

## CHARLES S. MELLE ON WITNESS STAND



Charles S. Mellen, former president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railway, as he appeared while telling the interstate commerce commission about the financial affairs of the company. At left is Commissioner C. C. McChord.

## WAR COST U. S. \$4,573,136 ADRIPT AT SEA 13 DAYS

HOUSE TAKES UP DEFICIENCY  
APPROPRIATION BILL.

More Than \$6,000,000 Asked for Present Fiscal Year, Largely on Account of Mexican Crisis.

Washington, D. C.—The urgent deficiency appropriation bill, making provision for more than \$6,000,000 for the present fiscal year, largely on account of the Mexican crisis, is before the house.

An interesting statement had been prepared by the war department to show exactly the approximate amount of the deficiencies in appropriations of the quartermaster's department of the army, due to the Mexican situation to June 30, next. This made a total of \$4,573,136. It includes \$1,100,149 for subsistence, \$2,429,070 for transportation of the army, both along the border and to Mexico, and numerous other items relating to pay on account of increased strength of the army by reason of the Mexican trouble. The government already is obligated for \$1,624,852.

The figures showed that fitting up chartered ships for troops and animals cost \$110,000. For horsehoes and nails alone the bill carries \$25,000. The chartering of the steamers Sallita and San Marcos to June 30, cost \$31,500, and for chartering of additional steamers to June 30, \$379,900 was asked. Altering the transport McClellan for cold storage cost \$40,000.

The movement of troops to the Mexican border during the month of April cost \$155,507.

## BOY SLAIN; MAN FOUND DEAD

Elgin, Ill., Youth's Throat Slashed While Visiting Playmate, Whose Uncle Supposedly Took Poison.

Elgin, Ill.—His throat slashed, Orville Magnus, 7, was found dead in the home of Charles Redanz, here. In an adjoining room lay Harold A. Lawlor, 35, a photographer, dead. Nearby was a phial, which had contained poison.

Victor Magnus, a wealthy and prominent resident of this city, and the father of the Magnus boy, discovered the double crime.

The Magnus boy had gone to the home of his playmate, Harold Redanz, to pass the night. Lawlor, the photographer, was caring for the house in the absence of his sister, Mrs. Redanz.

## 30 IN PERIL, REFUGEE SAYS

Party of Americans Is Short of Food and Six Start on 200-Mile Trip to Honduras.

Pensacola, Fla.—Thirty Americans at Laguna, in the Mexican state of Campeche, are unable to communicate with the United States authorities and are in danger of violence, according to J. P. Lewis, of Petersburg, Va., who reached Pensacola on the Russian schooner Kalpa.

Lewis said the Americans were running short of food when he left, and that their situation was serious. Six Americans, he said, set out on a journey of 200 miles through dense forests, in an effort to reach British Honduras.

## Body Is Found in a Well.

Waco, Tex.—Mrs. L. B. Richardson, 67 years old, residing 10 miles north of McGregor, Tex., was found with her throat cut, at the bottom of a 40-foot well. The coroner returned a verdict of suicide. Relatives are conducting an investigation.

**Blessed Are the Peacemakers.**  
Chicago.—Mrs. Mary Stovick, 72, while attempting to act as peacemaker between two quarrelling male boarders, was struck on the head and died later from injuries.

**Liner Baltic in Clash.**  
London.—The White Star liner Baltic, which sailed for New York, collided with the steamer Clarrie off Holy Head. The liner didn't suffer any damage. The Clarrie was only slightly damaged.

**Army Basket Ball Men Balk.**  
Minneapolis, Minn.—Seven basket ball players are doing their best to escape a possible call to war by defying the First Minnesota field artillery to court martial them for not reporting for drill.

## BECKER TO APPEAL AGAIN

FORMER POLICE LIEUTENANT IS  
FOUND GUILTY.

Prisoner, Twice Convicted of Instigating Crime for Which Four Gunmen Have Been Executed.

New York City.—Police Lieut. Charles Becker, who has been found guilty a second time of the murder of Herman Rosenthal, will appeal from the verdict.

Becker was remanded to the Tombs until May 29, after his counsel asked and received a week in which to make motions. If the motions are denied, he then will go to Sing Sing death house to await once more the outcome of an appeal to the court of appeals.

The second trial of the case had occupied two weeks. Becker was first convicted 19 months ago. The court of appeals granted a new trial. Four gunmen recently were executed for the actual shooting of Rosenthal, and Becker was charged with instigating the crime.

When the jury entered the room the foreman, F. Meredith Blagden, was in tears. After Becker had been brought in Clerk Penny requested the jury to arise. When Blagden was asked whether a verdict had been reached, he brushed the tears away with a handkerchief and answered:

"We have. We find the defendant guilty as charged."

## SLAYS WIFE AND TWO WOMEN

Third Woman Shot and Is Expected to Die—Slayer Suicides When Pursued by Posse.

Thief River Falls, Minn.—Four persons are dead and another is expected to die as the result of a murder and suicide at the farm of O. K. Olson, 20 miles north of here. Louis Gilsoul went to the Olson home and shot four women. He killed himself when pursued by a posse.

The dead are: Mrs. Ludwig Larson, aged 40; Mrs. Louis Gilsoul, 23; Miss Inga Olson, 17, and Louis Gilsoul. Mrs. Olson, at whose home the tragedy occurred, was so seriously wounded that she probably will die.

Mrs. Gilsoul, a daughter of Mrs. Olson, had separated from Gilsoul and this led to the tragedy.

## DENIES USE OF ROTTEN STEEL

Army Engineer Says Swindle Was Discovered Before Unsafe Material Was Used in Locks.

Washington, D. C.—The great steel locks in the Panama canal are as strong and as safe as engineering skill can make them, and there is not the slightest danger to life or property in their use, notwithstanding the disclosure of attempted fraud in the supply of proper metal for their construction.

This statement was made at the Isthmian canal offices, when attention was called to criminal presentations found by the grand jury in Pittsburgh against five steel makers on a charge of conspiracy to furnish inferior material for the locks.

## STORES TO CLOSE SATURDAYS

New Economic Problem Presented by John Wannamaker's Action in His Own Stores.

Philadelphia, Pa.—John Wannamaker announced that he will close his stores in this city and later in New York on all Saturdays in July and August, and both stores at 5 o'clock every day in the year when they are open.

He said he would use his influence in every direction to have a national closing of retail establishments on Saturdays the year round. More than 90 per cent of all the store workers are of the unskilled and unorganized class. An economic factor may be that five days' pay instead of six will be the ultimate result.

## ONE CONFESSES ON SCAFFOLD

One of Two Blacks Hanged Tells of Murder Plot in Mississippi in March, Last Year.

Friar Point, Miss.—Joe Thomas and Dave Nash, negroes, were hanged here for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Frank Mullen, in March, 1913.

Nash confessed on the scaffold, saying he and three others plotted to kill Mullen, who was sent to the wharf to arrest a negro for attempting to kill the mate of the steamer Kate Adams.

## Kills Three Women and Self.

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**Missouri Building Approved.**  
San Francisco, Cal.—The plans of the Missouri commission, Panama-Pacific International exposition, for state building, have been approved by the exposition officials and the work of construction will soon begin.

**Federals Flee Saultito.**  
Juarez.—A telegram was received from Gen. Felipe Angeles by H. Perez Abreu, head of the constitutionalist information bureau here, stating that Saultito had been evacuated by the federals.

## Temperance

(Conducted by the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.)

### DRINK AND CRUELTY.

Medical science tells us that an imperfect nervous system is often the cause of the tendency to cruelty sometimes seen in young children—that if a child shows a disposition to torture animals or abuse other children it does not follow that the boy or girl is a degenerate; it may be due to the presence of toxin in the blood. The well-known tendency to cruelty on the part of those addicted to the excessive use of intoxicants, bears out this statement. Men, who in sober moments are tender husbands and fathers, become transformed by strong drink into savages and fiends. Even the more "temperate" use of liquor tends to dull the sensibilities and cloud the finer instincts. The toxin in the blood of a moderate drinker, while not always causing a noticeable degeneracy in the man himself, is transmitted to his offspring, and in the third or fourth generation, if not before, is manifested in the "cruel tendencies" of children that excite our wonder.

### RUINING A VESTED INTEREST.

Collier's Weekly, which with commendable frequency gives the liquor traffic an editorial stab, recently answered as follows the saloonist's claim that to destroy the saloon is to destroy a vested interest:

"Every generation raises its crop of fine old crusted Tories—some of them in the humbler walks of life. And at all times they oppose light—even as they once tried to resist lighting with Longfellow called the 'street lamps of the ocean.' The instance we have in mind is noted in Emerson's Journal. Sixty years ago the philosopher visited Nauset, on Cape Cod. Collins, the keeper, told us he found resistance on Cape Cod to the project of building a lighthouse on this coast, as it would injure the wrecking business. Did you ever stop to think that our lighthouses have utterly ruined what used to be a vested interest?"

### DISAPPROVAL OF LIQUOR.

The American Sheet and Tin Plate company of Vandergrift, Pa., which is a subsidiary concern of the United States Steel corporation, has placed the stamp of disapproval on liquor and drinking by notifying all employees that they must withdraw from fraternal organizations and clubs which maintain sideboards, or cease to work in the company's plants. They are also prohibited from indulging liquor license applications.

This order, it is said, not only affects the 6,000 employees at the Leechburg, Hyde Park, New Kensington and Vandergrift plants, but all the plants of the company throughout the country.

### AGAINST ALCOHOL.

Dr. C. W. Saleeby, the distinguished English physician and writer on eugenics, concludes his little book on "The Methods of Race Generation" with this remarkable sentence:

"In the light of truth and the verdict of science it cannot be questioned that he who at this date is for alcohol is against civilization, and whatever ideals of justice and freedom and goodness we would transmit to the future. To all and sundry I say: Would you befriend men, women and children? Go protect parenthood from alcohol; and fear not that kind of laughter which is as the cracking of thorns under a pot."

### STICKS TO TEMPERANCE.

A German spoke at a temperance meeting as follows: "I shall tell you how it was. I put my hand on my head; there was one big pain. Then I put my hand on my body and there was another. Then I put my hand in my pocket and there was nothing. Now there is no more pain in the head. De pains in my body are all gone away. I put my hand in my pocket, and there I saw twenty tollars. So I stay mit de temperance."

### FAVORS HIS OWN RULE.

Mr. George Perkins of the New York Life Insurance company gave a dinner to the directors of the great company. When a menu card was handed him for his sanction he crossed out all wines. To the protest of the proprietors that such a thing would be preposterous and could not be done, Mr. Perkins replied: "We discriminate against the use of these in our policy holders. It is but fair we should abide by our own rule."

### TOTAL ABSTINENCE DEMANDED.

Eighty-eight per cent of the manufacturers of the United States demand total abstinence of their workmen. About one million railroad men in this country have to be total abstainers from beer and all other intoxicating liquors.

### BONUS FOR ABSTAINERS.

The Philadelphia Quartz company has offered a ten per cent bonus with the wages of men who sign an agreement to abstain from drinking altogether. Nearly all the 300 men employed have signed the agreement.

### GOLDEN STREETS.

If we could turn all the liquor money into good roads, we could almost walk on golden streets to every American home, and find each home aglow with joy.—Noah D. Cogger, Nashville, Tenn.

## REMARKABLE CASE of Mrs. HAM

Declares Lydia E. Pinkham's  
Vegetable Compound  
Saved Her Life  
and Sanity.

Shamrock, Mo.—"I feel it my duty to tell the public the condition of my health before using your medicine. I had falling, inflammation, female weakness, pains in both sides, backaches and bearing down pains, was short of memory, nervous, irritable, passed sleepless nights, and had neither strength nor energy. There was always a fear and dread in my mind, I had cold, nervous, weak spells, hot flashes over my body. I had a place in my right side that was so sore that I could hardly bear the weight of my clothes. I tried medicines and doctors, but they did me little good, and I never expected to get out again. I got Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Blood Purifier, and I certainly would have been in grave danger as an asylum if your medicines had not saved me. But now I can work all day long, well at night, eat anything I want, have no hot flashes or weak, nervous spells. All pains, aches, fears and dreads are gone, my house, children and husband are no longer neglected, as I am almost entirely free of the bad symptoms I had before taking your remedies, and all pleasure and happiness in my home." Mrs. JOSIE HAM, R. F. D. 1, Box 2, Shamrock, Missouri.



If you want special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass.

## GOOD FOR POLAR EXPLORERS

Frenchman's Invention of Much Better Fit to Those Who Track Waste Places of the Earth.

Count Bertrand de Lesnau, one of the famous Frenchmen of Suez canal fame, has constructed an all-weather machine which is capable of attaining a speed of from fifteen to thirty miles an hour over the snow, according to the condition of the frozen roads. The shoe-shaped chassis is attached to broad, flat metal runners, and the addition of strong springs. The propeller behind the pilot if well guided by a metal screen as a protection against any one approaching it closely. When snow falls wheels are placed on the projecting pins, which lift the ski from the ground, and the car of then attain a speed of nearly one hundred miles an hour. Some such machine as this is to be taken into the Antarctic regions by Shackleton on his forthcoming expedition. About this form of amusement is called skiing.

## Environment.

The Mexican Student was watching his first northern football game. He held his interest firmly. His face flushed, his arms were flung out, shouted hoarsely. "Do you call this a game?" he asked of the man at his right. "Sure," was the reply, "what would you call it?" "In my country," said the stranger from across the border, "we would call it a seven-day pitched battle!"

## Deep Breathing.

"Learn to sit or stand erect and breathe deep," says a health expert. "Remember that your blood cannot properly be washed with half a lungful of air any more than you can take a proper bath in a pint of water." Everybody must know what a there is in the deep breathing of pure air of the morning. The first respond to the stimulus much as body reacts from a dash of cold water.

## DID THE WORK

Grew Strong on Right Food.

You can't grow strong by merely exercising. You must have food—kind you can digest and assimilate. Unless the food you eat is digestible it adds to the burden the digestive organs have naturally to carry. It often means a nervous breakdown. "About a year ago," writes a lady, "I had quite a serious nervous breakdown caused, as I believed, by overwork and worry. I also suffered untold misery from dyspepsia."

"First I gave up my position, then I tried to find a remedy for my trouble, something that would make me strong and strong, something to rest my stomach and build up my nerves and brain."

"I tried one kind of medicine after another, but nothing seemed to help me. Finally a friend suggested that I eat of food and recommended Grape-Nuts. With little or no faith in it I took a package. That was eight months ago and I have never been without it since."

"Grape-Nuts did the work. It helped me grow strong and well, Grape-Nuts put new life into me, built up my whole system and made another of me."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road Wellville," in pgs. "There's a 300."